

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
725 6th STREET N.E.
FOSSTON, MN 56542



Greetings from Fr. John:

We are in the 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Today's readings tell us about the very patient and compassionate God Who is waiting for the "weeds" among us to be converted. In the Gospel parable of the wheat and the weeds, Jesus presents a wise and patient God who allows the good and the evil to coexist in the world and blesses the evil ones for the little good they may have done, so that the evil ones may come to conversion before their time ends. *"Let the wheat and the weeds grow together till the harvest time."* In other words, God awaits repentant sinners, giving them the strength to acknowledge their weakness. He calmly recognizes that there is evil in the world, but He sees that evil as no excuse for the good people not to do good with the power of God at their disposal. Let us lead a life of repentance to receive the true mercy of God. Through this parable, Jesus calls us to be patient with those who fail and to give time for repentance and to come back to follow Jesus.

God Bless You! Have a Great Week!

**Sixteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
July 19, 2020**

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Pastoral Council Chair: Dennis Sanden
Trustees: Jeanne Sanden and Erv Wickham
Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator:
Cindy Hulst 218-281-7895
24-hour confidential number

Individual Reconciliation Wed., 12-12:30 PM

St. Mary's Mass with Intentions:

Wednesday: Adoration Noon - 8 pm

Social distanced Adoration is encouraged.

Wed., July 22 11:30 AM Mass
Doug & Linda Hand Family

Fri., July 24 8:30 AM Mass
Holy Souls in Purgatory

Sun., July 26 8:30 AM Mass
for the Parishes

St. Joseph's Bagley Mass & Intentions

Tuesdays Adoration Noon - 5 pm

Tues., July 21 11:30 AM Mass
Franklyn Rasmussen†

Thur., July 23 11:30 AM Mass
Emily Gardner†

Sun., July 26 10:30 AM Mass
Jim Vorderbrugger†

Church is open for visits and personal prayer
Wednesdays 9am - 8pm and Fridays 9am -1pm

Birthdays
July 24 Robert Thompson
Anniversaries
July 20 Melissa & Ben Hamberger

PRAYER CHAIN CONTACT:

Carol Aaland 435-6384 (H), 218-686-2710 (C).
Please notify parish office of names to add or subtract
and of those who could use a prayer shawl.

PLEASE REMEMBER AND PRAY FOR:

Nash Rosendahl, Hannah Keller, Brady Jones,
Kristi Maraska, Wayne Paulson, Sarah Ryan
Walcker, Josh Martinson, Roger Scharendroch,
Nora Ann Lentz, Debbie Martin, Kristin Litzinger,
Allie St. Pierre, Richard Parent, Dennis Omsang,
Tracy Kozicka, Joyce Klinkhammer, Bob Clayton,
Ben Houston, Marge Messer, Dave Blazek,
Christine Johnson, Tom Sedler, Ava Lamb-Lopez,
Bruce Donnell, Laura Stark, Bethany Anderson,
Emice Reinhold, Grandma Dorothy, Ernie Agnes
Jr., Paul Silver, Nancy Silver, Clara Mae, Lucille
Default, Mark Randall, Jodi, Bonnie Schirlinger,
Aunt Gen, Michael Killian, Gail Kjos, Tom
Hovaka, Scott Redder, Dean Vikan

"May you touch them and heal them, O Lord!"

Blessed Prayer Shawls are available.
Please contact Dorothy Paulson at 435-6836

MASS INTENTIONS: Please note with your
donation whether intention is for a deceased or
living person. Suggested donation is still \$5.00.

THE WORD OF THE LORD

The readings for next Sunday, July 26, 2020
1 Kings 3:5, 7-12, Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-28,
129-30, Romans 8:28-30, Matthew 13:44-52

Women's Curiallo Retreat: September 24-27.
Men's Curiallo Retreat October 22-25.
Both held at Sand Hill Bible Camp by Fosston.
Contact Bobbi Marcil 701-866-5706

The 2020 NFP Awareness Week will be July 19-25.
NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING It's about love,
life, freedom, and gift.

Shade: The Series. Check out this new acoustic
series featuring the music of Brother Isaiah,
CFR. Remember, we're pilgrims on this earth.
Go to formed.org/signup. "Find Your Parish,"
type in Fosston's zip code of 56542 No
password. Be sure to share this link:
formed.org/faithathome with friends and family
not yet on FORMED to get them started with a
complimentary subscription.

"The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a
man who sowed good seed in his field. He
who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the
field is the world, the good seed the children
of the kingdom." (Matthew 13:24, 37-38)
As children of God, we are all "good seeds." We
are blessed by God with the potential to
accomplish much good in the world. We fulfill
God's plan when we spend time in prayer every
day, use our skills to help others, and share our
financial gifts to help build God's kingdom on
earth. Through our example of gratitude and
generosity we sow "good seeds" on earth and
ultimately help each other get to Heaven!

Support group for all victim/survivors of any
sexual abuse. Please email Paula Kasmpffler,
Outreach Coordinator for Restorative Justice and
Abuse Prevention at kasmpfflerp@archspm.org
or at 651-291-4429. The Diocese of Crookston
Victim Assistance Coordinator can be reached at:
218-281-7895.

Esto Vir! "Be a Man", is a vocation camp for
young men entering their sophomore year of high
school through young adulthood. This camp is an
opportunity for those men who may be open to
the priesthood to come together and spend some
days in community with each other and the
seminarians of the diocese. The camp includes
games, lakeside recreation, Mass, prayer, food,
and fellowship. Date: August 4-6, 2020
Location: Sand Hill Lake Bible Camp South of
Fosston. Cost: FREE! Questions can be directed
to Fr. Matt Schmitz, Promoter of Vocations: 218-
773-0877 or mcschmitz@sacredheartgf.net

MEMO sent from the Diocese of Crookston:
We all have a role to play in protecting ourselves and fellow Minnesotans from COVID-19. By following currently applicable Executive Orders from Governor Walz (<https://mn.gov/governor/news/executiveorders.jsp>) and these guidelines, we can enjoy activities and events while providing for public health, slowing the spread of COVID-19, and decreasing the potential for added strain on local communities and health care systems in Minnesota. (A copy has been posted on the bulletin board in the church gathering area.

"Guidance for Providing Food and Beverages for ON-site Consumption at Indoor and Outdoor Gatherings". Posted on the bulletin board. Or go to www.crookston.org for more information.

Deacon Formation Program: The next group of men will gather for the first year of formation in 2021-2022. If you are considering the Permanent Diaconate (or think someone else should) please talk with your priest and also Contact Deacon Mark Krcjci, Director of Deacon Formation so they can both pray for you and provide you with further information. (218) 281-4533 ext. 425 mkrcjci@crookston.org

Connect your Graduates to their College Campus Ministry: As high school seniors are moving on to the next chapter of their lives, the Newman Connection are working hard to connect your graduates to the college campus ministry programs where they will be attending school in the fall. Getting connected contact Jackie Kruk, Newman Connection | Parish Outreach Specialist, 217-247-4114 jkruk@newmanconnection.com

How to Talk About Racism. The National Federation for Youth Ministry is offering a free webinar on how to talk about race/racism in our parishes and communities. Panelists include Pamela Harris (Diocese of Columbus), Deacon Art Miller (Archdiocese of Hartford), and Greg Moser (Diocese of Cleveland). Some of the questions being addressed are: • How can mostly white communities talk about racism? • What are some steps we can take to focus on positive racial interaction? • What is some language that leadership can use to equip us to talk about racism appropriately? • How do we pivot from speaking about racism to action? This is a two-part webinar. Access at: <https://nfyym.org/resources/webinars/>

MiniTREE is a partnership between Catholic United Financial and a parish to identify and address unmet volunteer needs in the parish and surrounding community. You can help our parish and others and financially support our religious education program. For every 25 deeds turned in, Catholic United Financial will contribute \$125, up to a maximum of \$500 in a calendar year. The Tree with cards will not be set up at this time so for your good deed, simply include a note in the Sunday offering stating date completed, deed, your name & phone number or email to stmaryscrookston@gmail.com Ideas: Yard work, shopping, meals, phone calls to brighten someone's day, charitable donations, civic leadership, etc.

Each fall, Our Northland Diocese publishes a parish dinner listing online and in print. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic situation, OND will not be printing a list of fall dinners. Those wishing to attend a listed dinner are encouraged to contact the parish before going to ensure it is still happening and to learn of any precautions being taken.

Fall Bazaar: St. Mary's Pastoral Council agreed to cancel the Fall Bazaar this year. A letter will be sent asking for donations from Parish members to offset the proceeds not received from the Bazaar.

STEWARDSHIP

Budget Needed Weekly:	\$ 2218.04
Last Week's Collections:	
28 Adults	\$ 1475.00
Loose	\$ 5.00
Total Collections:	\$ 1480.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 65.00
Capital Improvement	\$ 40.00
Capital Improvement Balance	\$ 1009.08

The Diocese of Crookston Covid-19 protocols in compliance with Minnesota may be found at stmarysforsstoa.org or www.crookston.org

Sunday Mass at St. Mary's today and in the weeks to come will be in the church sanctuary with overflow seating in the social hall. Pews in church have been taped off to allow for social distancing. Donations of a camera and big screen TV will allow participation from the social hall if more space is needed or by those who prefer to be spaced farther apart. Let us continue to respect each other so we can all stay healthy physically, mentally, and spiritually.

Dennis & Jeanne Sanden: THANK YOU for the 65-inch TV and for painting exterior doors & supports.

Erv Wickham & Mark Worshek: THANK YOU for donating and setting up camera system so that Mass can be viewed in hall. Erv, thank you, also, for donating & delivering the granite base for Blessed Mother Mary.

Jan & Dennis Hemmingen: THANK YOU for all the work donated in making a foundation for Blessed Mother Mary.

The obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains indefinitely suspended in our Diocese and the rest of the MN dioceses. Please find a way to keep Sundays holy. Join Mass on TV or at <https://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass>

THANK YOU to Mark Bingham & Carol Broadwell for six years of service on the Finance Council. Mark has served recently as Chairman and Carol as Secretary.

WELCOME Michele Schoenborn and Randy Rue who have agreed to serve for the next three years on St. Mary's Finance Council.

Safe Environment Training certification module for the Diocese of Crookston for 2020-2021 runs through June 30th, 2021. It is necessary for every person, age 18 or over, clergy, employee, independent contractor, and volunteer in the Diocese of Crookston who has the potential for contact with children or vulnerable adults physically or virtual, to be certified each year. This training module focuses on recognizing child abuse and recommended technology guidelines. Component C. Go to www.crookston.org/secertification. (Not compatible with cell phones or ipads.)

Blessed Mother Mary, our hand-carved marble statue, was set in place near the main entrance of the church on Wed., July 15, with the help of Mark from Hurley's Religious Goods, Travis Quam, Matt Trujillo, Dennis Hemmingen, Erv Wickham and Fr. John. The Grotto Committee, Kathryn Ziemseier, Erv Wickham, Jan & Dennis Hemmingen, Linda Hand and Fr. John, offer praise to God and Mary for leading and guiding us, and thanks to the many donors including Lakes Concrete Plus, Bemidji, for donating cement for the foundation and Travis Quam for use of hall to set Mary in place.

THANK YOU, GROTTO COMMITTEE, for giving of yourselves to honor our patroness, Blessed Mother Mary!

Sat., Aug. 15: 5pm Rosary and Blessing of statue of Blessed Mother Mary by Bishop Hoepfner; 5:30pm Mass for Feast of Assumption of Mary